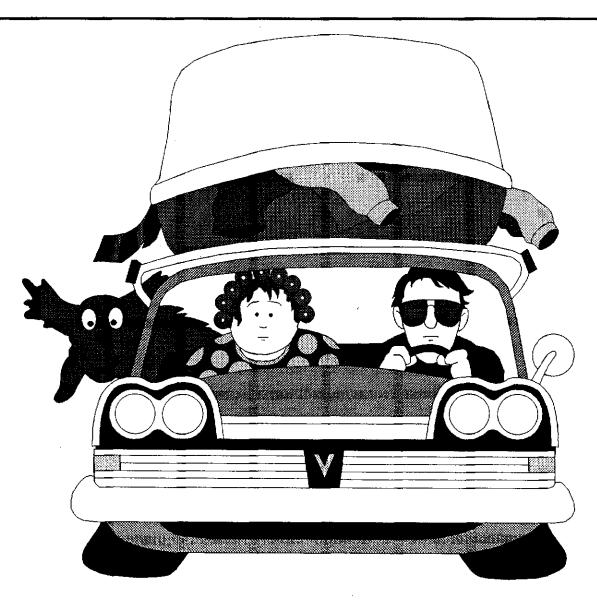


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FROM THE COORDINATOR:

HB 3419 is dead, but we can be proud of how far it went, it did not go by its self, a lot of dedicated freedom fighters hung in there till the end. We had a learning experience that will enable us to be a stronger force in the primary election. We thank Butch, Brian and Teresa, three of our key people that would keep us abreast of everything that was going on. We succeed with other issues "Handicap Parking" for motorcyclist, stickers issued by D.M.V.

HB 3422 passed, but has yet to be sighed by the governor. When the governor signs this bill and your helmet has a hard outer shell, padding inside, chin strap and has a DOT sticker your helmet will be legal. A ticket for not wearing a helmet was a class C traffic infraction and when signed will change to a class D infraction. Remember to thank the representatives and senators that supported us on 3419 & 3422. Write a note or make a phone call.

Fossil was a success for all the people that helped set up Fossil and worked during the fund raiser a great big "thank you". Thanks to all the vendors that participated to all the people that joined us thank you.

Hope everyone had lots of fun. Keep informed, Rotten Roger



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EDITORIAL FROM GORDON:

It has been a long and tiring road. It has been a frustrating journey. It has been successful and also some defeats. All in all it has been REAL.

I for one would like to thank Brian, Tereasa, Butch, Roger, Judd. Larry S., Ken Ray, Mary Beth, Susie H., Gunny, Cindy, Gayle, Chris V., Douglas Co. Chapter, Fast Eddie, Kenny Z, Lincoln Co. Chapter, Craig M., Sam H., "SPIKE", Cliff, nameless faces, Mad Max, Cindylou WHO, Bagger Melinda, Bob M., Don S., Willamette Valley Chapter, Blue Mountain Chapter, God, and those of you who know you did something but I don't know what.....All the members of the House that voted in our favor, the Senators that tried so hard for our side....Dick & Cathy for allowing me to show my true self enabling me to ride Salem(with the kids), and most of all the spirit of freedom that runs deep in most of you! The work done is not for lost, it is the stepping stone to the future victory that will be ours....

The battle for freedom began back with our forefathers, and is again being brought out in the limelight of the world....We have what can be described as freedom, however if we do not use it, it will be taken away. Please do not just sit there and watch our freedoms be destroyed....Step up and help the fight for our future freedom...Look at other countries, they are killing each other for what we have now... Are you that committed? I am.....

This next year and some months is not a time to "play", it is a time to plan and build a powerful Lobbying force. As Nike shoes has phrased, JUST DO IT, what is holding you back? I know that there is life beyond ABATE, but is not ABATE a part of your life? I know the government is, so think about that the next time someone calls and asks for a small bit of your time. A phone call or a letter is not too much to ask for from people who believe what they say they believe in, FREEDOM. Walk your talk. GWH

Minutes for State Board meeting June 10, 1995

Meeting was called to order at Lane County Community College at 12:22 by State Coordinator Roger Hendricks. There was a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from May.

Coordinator's Comments:Roger wished to say thank you to all the people who spent time in the legislative efforts this spring.

Correspondence: None.

Reports:

Education Director: Nic Oliver had reports of Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP) training done in schools at Riddle and Newport. Their was a session given at Silver Lake to 300 students total. This is the largest session ever done.

Legislative Director:Brian Stovall and Butch Harbaugh discussed the past legislative season. HB3419 had been killed to avoid it being sent out with a referendum attached. It was also discovered that this bill cannot be resurrected in case of a special session. Although HB3419 was not successful, HB3422 was passed unanimously by both House and Senate. A photo opportunity was requested with the Governor when it is signed. This bill is a precedent in the United States in that it defines a helmet in legal terms and a description that an average person could understand. Also Oregon motorcyclists learned a lot about the state lawmaking process and we did make a difference. These efforts created a piece of legislation that will benefit all motorcyclists and it happened because we made it happen. It was also mentioned that on June 24 there will be a meeting in Salem to discuss strategy and plans for the next legislative season. Brian also mentioned how it will be necessary to have a record of what legislative district every ABATE member is in so we can move information on bills better to key legislators during committees and before floor votes.

Membership: Mother's report was given by Rotten Roger. The membership total is 1775; an increase of 72 over last month. Also applause was given to SE Portland chapter, Willamette Valley, and Central Oregon chapters for aggressively increasing their membership numbers.

Newsletter Report:No report.

Products: Angie Jensen reports that due to hot weather at fossil, there are plenty of t-shirts available for sale. Public Relations: Ken Ray spoke about responding quickly to negative radio news stories by faxing well written responses to the news desk. It is easy to do and all chapter PR or Legislative directors are encouraged to do the same. Bob Avery gave a report of a radio show done in Eugene by their chapter that was broadcast all over the state. The calls from listeners were overwhelmingly supportive of our positions. Butch reported that he, Brian and Sam Hochberg were on the "Libertarian Roundtable" program on public access cable. He said that show also went very well.

State Run Coordinator:Rotten Roger reported that while a complete tally of Fossil was not complete, it looked like paid attendance was about 1560 people. It was reported that many residents of Fossil missed having us closer to town and would like to try to come up with a place for us themselves. He will be investigating this very soon to check for suitable sites. A letter was read from Cindy Lou Who about security experiences at Fossil. We had no trouble to speak of, but her suggestion is that more organization is needed in security if the run gets any bigger. Also perhaps security at runs is a subject that should be covered at STEAM. An award was given to the largest chapter in attendance at Fossil: Lincoln County.

Treasurer: Joy Hoover reports account balances as of 6/9/95 as follows: Checking Account: \$796.78, General Savings: \$24,724.34, Legal \$1,854.65, Education: \$389.01, Bulk Mail Account: \$2298.46 for a total of \$29,275.22.

Unfinished Business:

Fox Creek:Larry Bolton has met all requests of the state board. The matter is closed other than trying to make this endeavor a success.

Team Oregon Bikes:Postponed till next month.

Golf Cart: Tabled

Fundraisers for Legislative Efforts: Chapters around the state are asked to possibly include a separate legislative

effort fundraiser at events that goes straight to direct legislative action groups that we support in this state.

Team Oregon: The program needs motorcycles, but it was discovered that one-sided propaganda about helmets is being distributed during the classes. A letter will be sent outlining our concerns about our own program being used against us.

NCOM Report:Mitch Maxwell reported on some government targets and programs in their "Motorcycling in the Year 2000" scenario. Nationwide MRO's report that discrimination against motorcycles is the biggest issue right now. Also the lawyers that have been working on our behalf have come to the conclusion that the issue has to be dealt with legislatively and not with litigation. Larry Schalk talked about the problems facing European motorcyclists and how eventually we will have those issues over here. In Europe some proposed rules include anti-tampering laws, 100 hp limits, very restrictive noise limits, leg protectors, airbags and clothing standards.

New Business

Handlebar Hangers: Available for printing with the individual chapter information. Contact Angle and give current Chapter contact numbers, meeting times and places.

Motion: By Mike Pyle to donate \$1000 to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. Seconded by Bob Avery. The discussion was that since the MRF is currently very short on funds, we should give now to help the federal legislative efforts. Y(11) N(0) PASSED unanimous.

DJ's Swap Meet is September 24th and we again will be donated a space for a booth. If members want to donate parts for our legislative efforts then please get them to State Board.

Announcements:

Butch Harbaugh announced that BikePAC has a computer for sale. It will be inexpensive and would be a good starter computer for someone. Call him for details.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:59

Next meeting July 8 at Lane County Community College, Room 201. (Same as June) Minutes submitted by Ken Ray, State Recording Secretary.

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Blue Mountain

Meets 3rd Sunday, 3:00 pm Klondike Pizza, LaGrande Chapter Address: P.O. Box 242 LaGrande, Or. 97850 Chapter Contact:Bruce Coats (503)963-4622

NO REPORT, SECOND TIME.

Central Oregon

Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7 pm

American Legion Hall, 8th St., Redmond

Chapter address: P.O. Box 1527, Redmond, Or 97756

Chapter contact: Cindy Maxwell (503)382-7079

Howdy-do to all,

Well, they call this the "Chapter Highlights" don't they? I would like to put my chapter in the HiGHLIGHTS, and thank all of you good people that helped out at Fossil this year. I couldn't of done my job as Sgt. at Arms East without you. This is what team work is all about. I am very proud to say that I am a member of the Central Oregon Chapter. Thanks to all of you dedicated individuals. Way to go guys!!! This is what it's all about. What a beautiful place Twickingham Valley is. Every time I go somewhere in Oregon, that I haven't been before, I'm always amazed at the beauty and diversity of this state. If we continue to have the Memorial Day "Fossil" run in Twickingham, are we going to have to change the dinosaur to a fairy? Somehow the name Twickingham invokes the thought of gnomes and fairies. It sounds like some name that would have been thought up by the Brothers Grim.

We have a very full schedule this month. On the 17th we are hosting a pig roast dinner at the Tumalo State Park for the Veterans M.C. organization run. It's shaping up to be a real fun time. Then on the 25th is our Swapmeet at the Deschutes County fair grounds. Seems to me that summer is off and rolling. YEEEEEE HAAAAAA!!! By the way, our Chapter did it's first trash pick up on Hwy. 226. I guess that the Highway department gave us the OK to stick and pick garbage even though we had the word "Totalitarian" in the organization name. I hope that they all rest a little easier knowing that we aren't a militia group planning on blowing up the garbage dump with a bomb hidden in one of those bright orange bags. Thanks to all of the members that helped with the project.

I can see myself getting a bit sarcastic about things, so I'd better quit while I'm ahead. Don't want to step on any toes. Enjoy the good weather while it's here, just think, October is only 4 months away!!!!!

Later, Cindylou "WHO"



Columbia River

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30 pm
Allbi 4024 N. Interstate, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Angle, (503)285-4329

HI,

Well, Fossil is just a memory now. Hope it's a good one. The run to the Sun is over too. Hope you had a great ride and a good time. Thanks to everyone that participated. A special thanks to those members who worked to make it happen, especially Curt for organizing it.

Our chapter is now gearing up to work with S.E. and N.E. Portland Chapters to hold the Summer Run. It will in Brightwood again this year but with the addition of more land. The added land almost doubles the area available for camping. It will be a great place to be on a hot August night. So, set aside August 18, 19 and 20 for the Summer Run.

Columbia River continues to have a dedicated group of people that attend our meetings, both Chapter members and visitors from other Chapters. We would love to see you at the meeting. It's a good time to visit with old friends and make new ones. If Bill Tucker would have been at our May 14th meeting he would have received \$76 as his name was drawn in the membership drawing. Sorry Bill.

Enjoy the summer riding and take care on the road.

Douglas County

Meets 3rd Sunday at 11:00 am
Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
(Contact Ed Halkyard at (503)673-6120 for info.)
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97457
Chapter Contact: Joy Hoover(503)673-1304

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

Grant County

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11:00 am
Canyon City Cafe, Hwy 395 S., Canyon City
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 532, Canyon City, Or. 97820
Chapter Contact: Sherri Stull,(503) 575-0741

Howdy everyone,

Ya all have fun at the State Run. I sure did. Checked out all kinds of sleds, BMW's with side cars, chopped Suzukis, really nice Knucks and one that was just different eh Milo! Got to party down with a lot of old friends, made some new ones too.

And a good place to party. I liked that river when the sun got up there, Thank you Roger for picking a good site.

I met and bought a beer for the owners of the property. They seemed pleased with the way we were conducting ourselves. They did wonder what happened to their sheep (they disappeared right after the wet T contest).

Would like to say thank you to all the people who worked long and hard so the rest of us could enjoy ourselves. Especially the Douglas C. folk who undermanned and fried to a crisp handled the hill (gate) and organized rescue missions all weekend long. Thanks (Continued next page)

Even have some news from the home front, our membership is up by 1 giving us a total of 12, right on eh!

It's now official, the paper work is done. Grand County ABATE has adopted a section of Hwy 26 just east of Prairie City.

Our first clean up is next month right after our meeting, Be there!

I'm outta here. EH Ray

Klamath County

Meets 3rd Mondays, 7:30 pm Linkville Station1330 Oregon Ave, Klamath Falls Chapter Address:P.O. Box 392., Klamath Falls, Or. 97601 Chapter Contact:Bob Motschenbacher (503)884-9709

Hi From Klamath County,

We now have 48 members in our chapter. Not to much has been happening this month. Our next chapter meeting is going to be held on the 18th of june at Wierd Park (weather permitting) at 1:00pm. This time we are having a Potluck bring your own drinks. See ya' all there.

Bob M.

Lincoln County

Meets 1st &3rd Fridays, 7:30 pm Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport/ Chapter Address: P.O. Box 665, Newport, OR 97365 Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, (503)563-3520 (JUNE)

There seem to be a few hours here and there that feel like we could be riding. They are still few and far between on the Oregon Coast.

We have been busy with our Educational Programs. Just a couple of more and we have covered Lincoln County. It is really great to see how receptive the students are.

We have some of our members who are getting ready for Fossil. To so many, it is the official start of riding season. They have the bikes fine tuned for the trip over the mountain, and are sure it will run for the rest of our season here.

We are planning on having a group ride in the Loyalty Days Parade.

Before you read this, we should be talking about Beaver Creek. It is time to start the planning and early preparations.

For the time being, we are holding our second meeting of the month on the Third Thursday of each month. We have found that there is a group of people in Lincoln City who would like to attend but can't make the Friday meetings. We tried the Second Monthly meeting on the Third Thursday at Moby Dick's in April. The Third Thursday of May, we are going to Captain John's in Lincoln City. We will see how this works out.

Our Legislative Director is keeping us busy with letter writing and calling the representatives who are against the Bills we are interested in, and also those who waiver. Every chapter needs a person who is as dedicated as John is. He is such an asset to our Chapter.

We'll keep you posted on what is happening in Lincoln County.

RIDE SAFE AND HOPE YOU HAD A WONDERFUL TIME AT FOSSIL.. Millie (JULY)

I was not to surprised to see that our Newsletter Article didn't make it in. From talking with neighbors, we have someone who is removing mail from boxes, not caring if it is outgoing or incoming. Makes life interesting. I'm sure that others can identify with this. I am also including the June Newsletter Article, rather than writing an extra long one this month.

A large number of our members attended Fossil and had a great time. I couldn't believe it when they complained because it was to hot. I've heard complaints about rain and snow, but sun? They all had a good time though.

Our Legislative Director had his last writing campaign. These letters will be delivered in Salem on June 3rd, before the hearing starts on HB 3419. Now all we can do is walt and see. A big Thanks to John for keeping an eye on what is happening, and keeping us so well informed.

By the time this is read, our second meeting in June will been held at Big Creek Park in Newport, we will have ridden in the Beachcomber Days Parade, and completed our Adopt A Highway Clean Up. It's wonderful to belong to a group so involved in their communities.

Plans are under way for Beaver Creek. It seems like there is always so much to do when you start this process. Once the work starts, it goes fast.

We have one Motorcycle Awareness Educational class left to do in our School District. The reception from the students and staff has been positive, so it makes it a pleasure to do. A big Thank You to our members who have been so faithful in doing it.

Our first Cookbook is looking good. A special thanks to Pat for her dedication to this project. Without her expertise, it would not have been possible.

This catches you up on what we are doing in our spare time.

HOPE YOU HAVE THE SUN ON YOUR FACE AND THE WIND ON YOUR BACK FOR SAFE RIDING.
MILLIE

North Coast

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm
Pizza Harbor, Seaside
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, Or 97138
Chapter Contact: Don Smack, (503)738-7156

NO REPORT, FIRST TIME.

N.E Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 pm izzy's Pizza, 1307 N.E. 102nd, Portland Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228 Chapter Contact: Mary Beth (503)253-7343

Some fantastic outcomes to report for the 1995 legislative year. Handicap parking permits are now available, DMV still doesn't have the information in the computers, so if you need assistance getting one call Butch Harbaugh (503)838-1460, he knows all the back doors. Only a few more days until we know if Governor John Kitzhaber has signed HB3422. This was a huge success, a easy to understand description of a helmet. The hope is the law enforcement won't have so much confusion and we won't have to endure so much harassment. The bonus with HB3422 was the reduction in the fine for not wearing/or

wearing an illegal helmet. On the federal level it's looking good, we should be amended to \$440 and on the way to the house by printing time. We will never go away! Our push in Salem is far from over, we will continue to make ourselves known, and work towards the 1997 legislature. Come to a meeting for the most up-to-date legislative information, and how you can participate.

Summer Run preparations are well underway, everything going according to plan, don't forget to mark your calendar for August 18, 19 and 20th. T-shirt designs need to be turned in by July 5th, that's our first meeting in July. Everyone is welcome to attend our committee meetings. Only one reminder, find a sitter for your pets, there will be no pets allowed! Looking forward to seeing all of our long lost members for the weekend.

The Cisco Loiza Food drop was a success, each time it happens more people attend. I hope that tradition continues. Thanks to Glen and Gayle for all the work to organize and run the memorial fund.

Mile of pennies, do you remember what that is? It was started in 1989, designed to use up all of our pennies for a chapter pat on the back. Well, at long last, we are within \$80 of our goal. The committee has begun, come the next meeting for more information.

July 29th we will be running the games at the Jim Dandy Cruise-In, come on by and participate, there is a flyer in this months newsletter.

I'm wondering if we have enough people interested in doing the Rider Education Class to ask for a private class? If you are interested please come to a meeting and we will begin a sign up.

MaryBeth



Salem

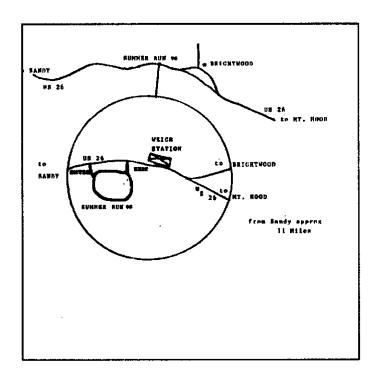
Meets 2nd & 4th Sunday, 1:00 pm Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE (Call 581-3138 or 581-8637 for information) Chapter Address: P.O. Box 13957, Salem, OR 97309 Chapter Contact: Kenny "Z" (503) 363-7520

Hi from Salem,

Well, by now, most of you know that HB3419(adult responsibility bill) died in committee due to a referendum being attached to it in the Senate. BikePac felt that taking it to a public vote would allow the insurance companies to overwhelm the voters with a landslide of negative advertising. Ail of our legislative efforts have not been in vain, however; HB3422, introduced by BikePac, was passed through the House and Senate without modification. It defines a helmet as " A hard shell, padding, a strap and a DOT sticker". This change indicates that the legislators were listening to our complaints of harassment and discrimination. This sets a precedent; Oregon is the first state to set its own helmet standards, instead of relying on Federal guidelines. Other states and MRO's across the nation are watching and seeking the benefit of our experience. Thank you to all the people who helped to make things happen. Let's come back in two years with TWICE as many members and get the rest of our rights back.

For those of you who didn't make it to Fossil, you missed a nice ride and a great party. About 20 members of Salem Chapter camped in the same area, including some that we've never seen at a meeting. It was a good opportunity to relax and get to know people a little better. Remind your friends to bring their bikes for the "riding meeting", every 4th Sunday, 1pm, Pietro's, Market street.

LET'S RIDE! Kenny Z



South Coast

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 am
Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 4175, Coos Bay, OR 97420
Chapter Contact: Greg (503) 756-CARD
Terry Kepl (503) 257-0172

Hi Friends,

I came back early from my Memorial weekend camping trip (not Fossil - sorry I missed it) in order to check on my 15 year old son's camping adventure with his group of girlfriends. After I satisfied myself that all was well I spent the rest of the holiday writing thank-yous to our great state representative who listened to us "bad bikers". I also wrote to our Senators and Governor on behalf of our chapter asking them to lend an ear to our voices for freedom. It was a holiday well spent.

The guys and gals who were going to Fossil were to meet at Gino's Pizza Parlor at 5:00 am on Saturday. I hope everyone had a great time.

Our Show-N-Shine was a success, \$229.00 was raised for Camp Easter Seal. We had a lot of fun and, to everyone's amazement, the sun shined for the entire six hours. Since it had rained almost every day for eight months - it was a good sign!

Many ABATE members showed off their bikes at the motorcycle show at Pony Village. There were about 40 participants.

Farwest Cycle is having a grand opening run to the Rogue River on June 25. There will be lots of games and contests.

After our meeting we traveled up to the Rhody Run at Florence to watch the parade and see all the motorcycles. It was a pretty day and we all had a great time.

Be Careful and Have Fun

JIII

S.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland Chapter Address: P.O. Box 90233, Portland, OR 97290 Chapter Contact: Larry Schalk (503)774-2479

Hello,

Wasn't Fossil HOT! What beautiful sights to see. I had a great time, and by the way you all looked, you did too!

I need to make a correction, or more of a explanation of the Brightwood site, for Summer Run. It will be at the same place as last year, in Brightwood. The "plus 5 acres", are across the dirt road, be side it. Don't forget the dead line date for the t-shirt designs is July 5th. We are going to do something new this year. We will have on site printing and you will be able to pick the color of t-shirt you want.

Please follow the rules, and leave your dogs home!
The bands playing will be "Life On Mars", "Stevie Z"
and "Francine West And The High Speed Wobbiers". For any
further information call Lee Austin, at (503) 762-2596.

Things aren't looking to good for HB 3419. I hear a miracle has been called for. By the time you read this you probably will know the out come. I sure hope we get that miracle!

LATER DEBBY Washington County

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 pm

Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 830, Cornelius, OR 97113
Chapter Contact: Don Murry (503)693-6465
Bill Ballard (503)640-5461

NO REPORT, SECOND TIME.

Willamette Valley

Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm

Red Rooster Restaurant, Garfield between 7th & W. 11th
Chapter address: P.O. Box 23325, Eugene, Or. 97402
Chapter Contact: Bob Avery (503)998-1309
Russ Lax (503) 747-4626

What a month, lots and lots of phone calls, letters, and trips to the Capitol! Our chapter can be proud, we made a good showing. The team we've been building really did the job. When one slowed down for life's various interruptions, another member was right there to pick up. Great work!

Unfortunately by now you know we didn't reach the goal of Passing HB.3419 "Adult Freedom of Choice". Bummer, but we did make a lot of headway. We DID pass HB 3422, which should reduce the harassment! I know we are well respected in Salem now! There is still much to be done. Time to learn from our mistakes and from the opposition! Work to correct some of the many problems we identified and move on toward the next session! More to come soon.

Membership - Now more than ever we must continue to work on building our membership. We saw over and over where it is critical to have voters (members) in each legislators district. We were not well represented in some districts. The solution is MORE NEW MEMBERS, for all chapters, maybe even help start some new chapters in areas we are not well represented now!

Good turn out for Rhody Run - the booth on the main drag worked well. We signed up several new members, some for other chapters, gave out lots of membership applications, and lots of good info and Newsletters. The Rag Bags seemed to be a hit, and great good will builder. Only one motel refused, because he was refusing to rent to bikers. Unfortunately I don't remember the name, perhaps in the next issue. Special thanks to April, for making all the arrangements and delivering the bags! Also special thanks to April and Sid for all the P.R. work with the city fathers, businesses, Chamber of Commerce. It was obvious our voice was heard. Lot less hassle from the police establishment. In fact Nina was riding with a small group of bikes Sunday morning. They were stopped, one of the guys forgot to turn his head light on. After running the license and registration routine the officer, a local, let them go with out a ticket, and actually said "...thanks for coming, we're glade your here. Please come back next year." What a difference! Again thanks April, sounds like at least some of the law enforcement people got the message, that Bikers are real people too.

Fossil - Again great time, with the crew, we were all ready for a break in the Legislative activity and party for the weekend. We didn't stop completely though. We continued to help pass out flyers, and drum up support for our legislative effort. Not to mention helping with the gate, with down bikes, and where ever else asked. This was the first major camp out for our chapter.

Thanks Lynn for giving up the ride to drive the truck. The stuff you hauled made our site! For those that couldn't be there YOU MISSED IT! Don't miss the next!

Casino Night - Thanks again to all. Another good turn out and chance to support BikePAC. Many thanks to all that contributed, both effort and prizes. All who attended had a good time.

Car Function in Junction - Good showing , and lots of fun, for a purely social "Fun Night". I counted 25 bikes at one point, and many can and left. Great turn out for a one week notice.

Every one pitched in and made the "Pot Luck BBQ" a success. Thanks again! Besides what more could we have asked for, good food, live band, lots of classy cars, and good friends!

Whew! And that was only the beginning of the summer, much more to come. If your feeling left out, don't, it's only because your not attending the meetings to find out what is happening! All are welcome and encouraged to participate! Miss the meetings and you'll miss out on a lot of fun and good times.

Bagger Bob

Yamhill County

Meets 2nd Sunday, 3:00 pm
Westward Ho, McMinnville (3rd Street)
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Chapter Contact: Kraig, (503)876-5135

Our last meeting and annual party is scheduled for June 10th at noon at Eiesle park in Buell. All present and past members of our chapter are invited. Get directions from Kraig. We are all proud of our accomplishments and hard work in the past.

See you at Fossill H.L.V.B. Steve

Artwork by "Crazy" Mike in Arizona. Thank you for submitting it.



BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Individual	\$10	\$ 25	\$50 +	
Couple	\$15	\$3,5	\$75±	
Family	\$20	\$50		
Business, Club/Group	\$50	\$100	\$200+	
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DEAR ROGER~

WE HAD OUR MEETING LAST NIGHT AND OUR AMERICAN LEGION POST #25 WOULD LIKE TO THANK A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE MONEY TO HELP THE FOLLOWING.

A.B.A.T.E. FUNDRAISER

10	%		TREE OF HOPE (LIKE TOYS FOR TOTS)	\$ 430.00
2.	5%		CONDON FOOD PANTRY	\$ 107.30
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5	%		A.B.A.T.E. SHRINE'S FUND	\$ 215.00
10	%		CONDON SENIOR CITIZENS***	\$ 430.00
30	%		AMERICAN LEGION POST #25 (GEN. FUND)	\$1290.00
10	%		AMERICAN LEGION EQUIPMENT FUND	\$ 430.00
		100	% TOTAL	\$4300.00

THIS SCHEDULE OF % WILL BE HOW WE DISTRIBUTE ALL FUNDS FOR ANY EVENT WE MAY DO FOR A.B.A.T.E. ****WILL BE SET UP A SPECIAL ACCOUNT AND IF ANY SENIOR FROM CONDON OR FOSSIL NEEDS ASSISTANCE WITH UTILITIES, MEDICAL, ETC. THEY ONLY HAVE TO CONTACT AN OFFICER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST #25 AND WE WILL ISSUE A CHECK TO THE UTILITIES OR MEDICAL FACILITY IMMEDIATELY. WE ALSO PURCHASED A TRAVEL TRAILER FOR FUTURE FUND RAISERS. THAT WILL HELP IN STORAGE OR VENDING OF BEVERAGES, OR ELEPHANT EARS, AND CARRY OUR FRYER, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING TO PURCHASE A GENERATOR IN THE FUTURE. OUR GENERAL FUND, IS USED TO PURCHASE FLAGS, GRAVE MARKERS AND OTHER SUPPLIES THAT WE NEED.

WE REALLY ENJOYED OUR FIRST ABATE EXPERIENCE, EVERYONE WAS TREATED WITH RESPECT, WARMTH, AND FRIENDLINESS. MAKING OUR JOB AS THE BEVERAGE VENDOR A LOT OF FUN, AND A CHANCE TO MAKE MONEY SO WE CAN HELP OUR COMMUNITY AND FOSSIL COMMUNITY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL AND I WILL TRY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. WE HAVE THREE OTHER EVENT TIMES DURING THE YEAR, WHERE WE WILL BE ABLE TO ADD TO THE \$\$ AMOUNTS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS, SENIORS, AND THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

WE WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS AGAIN, AND HOPEFULLY WE LEARNED FROM THIS LAST ONE, THAT WE CAN BE EVEN BETTER THE NEXT TIME. THANK YOU FOR LETTING US CAMP, THAT MADE IT MUCH EASIER AND CONVIENT FOR ALL OF US. AGAIN THANK YOU, WE ALL HAD A REALLY GOOD TIME PLUS IT GAVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP OTHERS, WHICH IS ONE OF OUR GOALS.

SINCERELY, JAMI JOHNS ACTING COMMANDER (503) 384-5711

CAR 54 WHERE ARE YOU??

FOSSIL WAS QUITE AN EXPERIENCE FOR ME THIS YEAR, BEING MY FIRST AS SGT. AT ARMS. THIS IS THE FIRST YEAR THAT I HAVE EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN THE HUB-BUB OF THINGS AND I AM SHOCKED AT THE LACK OF ORGANIZATION. IN MY OPINION, YOU ARE ALL VERY LUCKY THAT GATHERINGS OF THIS MAGNITUDE COME OFF AS SMOOTHLY AS THEY DO. THIS CONCERNS ME A GREAT DEAL, I WAS ASKED BY BEAR TO BE IN CHARGE OF NIGHT SECURITY. WITH NO DIRECTION, OR INSTRUCTIONS OR ANY FORM OF PROPER PROTOCOL TO FOLLOW. HERE I WAS IN A POSITION OF GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. OUR SGT. AT ARMS SOUTH DID NOT ATTEND THE FOSSIL RUN WHICH MEANT THAT BEAR AND I WERE EACH RESPONSIBLE FOR 12 HR. SHIFTS. TO MUCH WHEN THE NOISE LEVEL NEVER DROPS BELOW FAIRLY LOW AT NIGHT AND THE TEMP. IS 90 IN YOUR TENT BY 10AM. IT BASICALLY MEANT NO REST FOR EITHER ONE OF US. ADD ALL THIS UP WITH THE FACT THAT WE HAD VERY FEW VOLUNTEERS TO WORK SECURITY AND IT MAKES IT A ***** EXPERIENCE AT BEST. IF IT WASN'T FOR THE SUPPORT OF A FEW, AND I MEAN FEW INDIVIDUALS THAT PUT A.B.A.T.E. BEFORE THEIR OWN DESIRE TO PARTY I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE OUTCOME WOULD OF BEEN, I'M SURE OF ONE THING, THIS LETTER WOULD OF NOT BEEN AS POLITE. THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED. WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU. AS I'M SURE YOU HAVE ALL HEARD ROGER SAY, "WE AS A.B.A.T.E. ARE PUTTING THIS PARTY ON FOR OTHER PEOPLE", DO YOU ALL FEEL AS THOUGH YOU ARE THE OTHER PEOPLE? THOSE OF US THAT HAVE ACCEPTED POSITIONS AS OFFICERS AT THE STATE AND CHAPTER LEVELS NEED TO TAKE THOSE POSITIONS SERIOUSLY. IT'S NOT JUST A LABEL, ITS A JOB. I REALIZE THAT THIS IS A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION BUT THE SAYING COMES TO MIND AS I AM ADDRESSING ALL OF YOU "WALK THE WALK - TALK THE TALK". WELL, ENOUGH OF THE REALITY CHECKS, I'LL GET ON WITH THE BUSINESS AT HAND. WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS I WOULD LIKE TO SET UP A MEETING TIME WITH BEAR AND TOM CROWL TO TRY AND GET SOME GROUND WORK GOING ON ORGANIZING THE SECURITY AT THE STATE RUNS. WE NEED TO SET SOME SORT OF STANDARD PLAN FOR THESE EVENTS. AS YOU ALL KNOW, EVERY YEAR THEY GET BIGGER AND BETTER AND IF WE DO NOT ADDRESS THIS AT THIS TIME WE ARE LEAVING OURSELVES OPEN FOR PROBLEMS. I AM WILLING TO CHAIR A COMMITTEE THAT WILL HOPEFULLY WORK TOGETHER TO BUILD A STRUCTURED SECURITY PLAN. WE AT THE STATE LEVEL SHOULD COME UP WITH A MASTER PLAN THAT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED EASILY AND EFFECTIVELY BY ANYONE WORKING IN SECURITY AT THE STATE RUNS OR AT THE CHAPTER RUNS. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE A SESSION AT THE S.T.E.A.M.CONFERENCE NEXT YEAR DEALING WITH SECURITY. EITHER WE GET OUR DUCKIES IN A ROW AND ALL WORK TOGETHER ON THIS OR WE WILL HAVE TO CALL IN A SUGAR BEAR SECURITY TEAM FOR UP COMING MAJOR EVENTS. SOMEHOW I CAN'T IMAGINE WANNA-BE COPS DOING AN EFFECTIVE JOB WITH BIKERS. THAT IN ITSELF SOUNDS LIKE A VOLATILE SITUATION. AGAIN THANK YOU, TO ALL THAT MADE FOSSIL A SUCCESS AGAIN THIS YEAR.

SINCERELY, CINDYLOU"WHO"MAXWELL CENTRAL OR. CHAPTER THE "SUGAR", IN THE SUGAR "BEAR" SECURITY

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HB 3422 UPDATE June 18, 1995 ENROLLED BILL SIGNED AND SENT TO GOVERNOR

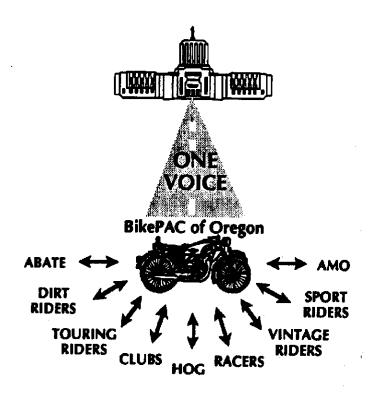
As you know, HB 3422 passed both the House and the Senate unanimously. We have been awaiting the final printing of the bill. This final printing (the enrolled bill) has finally been produced, and was signed by the Speaker of the House and the Senate President on Thursday, June 15, 1995. The enrolled bill now goes to the Governor for signature. Governor Kitzhaber has 30 days, (due to the session being over) to consider the bill and sign or veto it. If he does neither, it then becomes law automatically. We need to write letters to the Governor now asking him to sign HB 3422! Let him know about the harassment we have had the last several years. Point out the unanimous support in the legislature.

Write to:
Governor John Kitzhaber
Room 254
State Capitol
Salem, OR 97310

For more information, call Brian at 503-298-1317 or Butch at 503-838-1460 BikePAC of Oregon, PO Box 5612, Salem, OR 97304

JUST A FOOT NOTE;

HB3419 was killed by BikePac in committee because of the way "they" wanted to handle it. It was for the best interest of all motorcyclists that this happened. We need to be aware of the background dealings, when dealing with the government at all levels. Thanks goes to Butch for being "Johnny on the spot" for us in this and many other instances of governmental doings. Let us all work just as hard to set up for 1997, and we will get done the job that needs to be done! Let us not just fade away. Keep in contact with your State Senator and Reps. so you know what they are doing to "protect" us.





Dedicated to Freedom of the Road



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

Brothers and Sisters in the Wind:

It is time to update training and to implement the new Certification Process for the ABATE of Oregon Motorcycle Awareness Program.

This year we are making a lot of changes to the program and including new information for presentation. As with all programs, changes are inevitable. As Oregon is the leader in reaching new drivers we must always be on the alert for ways to improve in order to stay on the cutting edge of awareness on the highways.

We will be utilizing Chemeketa Community College in Salem as our training facility. We will be meeting in Building 50, Room 111, on July 29, 1995, from 12:00 noon till 4:00 pm. This training seminar is a requirement for all current instructors and for anyone interested in becoming an instructor for ABATE of Oregon. The reason for this is accountability and credibility. To cover this need all instructors, in order to receive the backing of ABATE of Oregon, must be certified by ABATE of Oregon.

All materials that are currently in use must be brought to this training seminar as they will need to be replaced with the new materials. Also, there will be materials supplied that were not previously available. The "old" lesson plans and some of the other materials will no longer be used for teaching this course and therefore must be replaced.

Registration for this training seminar is from 12:00 noon till 12:30pm. The training is intense with a new format so that the certification process can be implemented. This ABATE of Oregon program takes a serious commitment from all who wish to participate and this training seminar is the first step that must be taken. Any current instructor that does not attend will not be certified nor will they be in a position to represent ABATE of Oregon's Motorcycle Awareness Program. If this sounds harsh, it is not meant that way only that we must meet the needs of the future. Arrangements can be made to accommodate those who wish to be certified but obligations or situations prevent them from attending the training. If this applies to you, please contact me so that I can assist you reaching your goal of certified instructor for ABATE of Oregon.

If our commitment is as true as our words than there is no way that we can fail in our endeavor to make the road a safer place for all of us who ride. When we win the helmet fight (and we will) we must be ready to show that our commitment is not just a lot of hot air, spoken by a bunch of people who are not ready to put their efforts where their mouth is. Let us not relax for one minute and let the government prove that we are what they think we are, let's work together and show them we mean what we say!

P.O. Box 4504 • Portland, Oregon 97208

In order to make this program training seminar the best possible, it would help me and ABATE of Oregon, please register for the class by mail using the attached registration form so that enough materials are available for everyone. There will be some changes in the Regional Director set-up so that the information flow in all directions will be faster and more complete. Please send the requested information on the registration for to me by the due date so I can assist you in making this the best possible course.

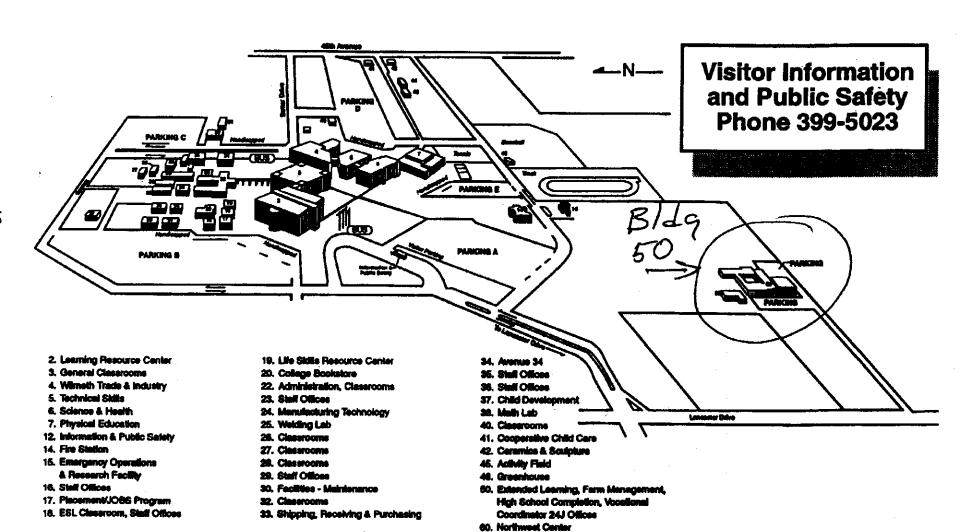
You will find enclosed with this letter maps that will assist you in finding Chemeketa Community College and Building 50. If you have any questions or need assistance in any way, please contact me directly. That is what I am here for. My phone number is (503) 394-3456 and my address is on the registration form.

I want to personally thank all of the instructors, new and old, in advance for their commitment to making the road safe for all motorcycle enthusiasts.

See you at the Motorcycle Awareness Program Training Seminar on July 29, 1995, from 12:00 noon till 4:00pm.

Please send to Nic Oliver 43033 Valley View Road, Scio, OR 97374-9327 by July 10, 1995. THANK YOU!

CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Dedicated to Freedom of the Road



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

To All Instructors:

I would like to take this manner in which to personally thank each and every one of your that gave up some of your personal time to teach the ABATE of Oregon's Motorcycle Awareness Program during the past school year. We reached a lot of people and, hopefully, did some good in protecting not only our lives but the lives of all who ride.

Your selfless dedication and commitment to helping all of us who ride and in furthering *Education* as the means to making the roads safer has made me, as ABATE's Education Director, realize that this position is worth the work and I thank you. You have also shown, by your actions, that you are dedicated to freedom and safety on the roads and that Legislation is not the best tool in making the roads a safer place for all who use them.

We will never be able to track how many lives we have saved but you can be assured that through your work and dedication you have indeed saved lives. There is no way that anyone could adequately thank you for this, so from me personally,

THANK YOU!!!!!!.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the Instructors Training Seminar on July 29, 1995, where I can thank you in person. Our improved program should be easier to present and get more information out there to the public. Keep up the Good Work!!

Ride Safe and Free,

Nic Oliver

Education Director

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To All ABATE of Oregon Members and Other Concerned People:

I thought you might like a sampling of what the students are saying about ABATE of Oregon's Motorcycle Awareness Program. These tid-bits are from the students and they are rewritten here in their own words, no changes made at all, not even spelling. These are typical responses to our requests for their input. Enjoy them, they say good things.

I especially am glad that they told us how to treat motorcyclists like don't remove their helmets unless it's life threatening and stuff like that.

Made us realized they are real people with real families.

They were very friendly. I think everyone should hear them, and learn about this, from a motorcyclists point of view.

I always think as Harley people as icky but its cool you guys have familys and care about safety.

I now really understand the importance of motorcycle saftey. I will try my best to be more cutious when sharing the road with motorcyclists.

The talk really enlightened us and our views on safety precautions concerning motorcycles.

I really enjoyed the way you spoke to us about motorcycle safety and awareness. It explained to me quite a few things that I never new about motorcycles and their riders. Now when I drive I will be able to predict a few of the points when I see a motorcycle, I'll be able to respond and keep my eyes open for them.

I think that this presentation made me think more about motorcyclists when I am driving than before.

That they have the same rights as cars on the road.

Wonder if he's cute. Nice bike. (We all know that we are cute! My interjection not student)

I now know something about motorcycles and riders. This is positive. I never knew most of this before.

I hope you teach all the driver ed students because this is important.

I always thought motorcycle safety was the motorcyclists responsibility. Now I realize there is something I can do to be pro active and take preventive measures.

I liked this session of class cause it tole me about things that I have never even heard of, and of course I learned the Good Sameriton Rule and not to take of the healmate off. Now I can annoy my parents.

Very specific. Interesting. Thorough. You let us ask questions. You didn't lecture you gave it to us in our language.

A few things I liked about this was that I learned to wanth for motorcycles and be much more cautios while driving.

A few words from the Coordinator Of Lincoln County Chapter:

I want to take a few moments to express my thanks to my chapter. In December, when I decided to put my name in the running for Coordinator, I wondered if I was taking on more than I wanted to do this year. I realize that the year is not over but I feel great pride in the members of Lincoln County Chapter. We have new members who have contributed their enthusiasm, ideas and energy, giving the core workers a needed help on our many projects.

Lincoln City ... Thank you Garth, Rat and Jesse for coming to that first meeting and showing us that we have a group in the North end ready to participate and spread our goals to that segment of the county. We need you and are thankful for all your help. The Legislative efforts of our chapter have been outstanding. To Our very own "Radical Ladies", Brenda and Ruth, and to Bear, yourefforts will be recounted in years to come. The politicians of this state will not soon forget you and a few, hopefully, may have nightmares in which your presence will be a reminder of who puts them in their elected seats. You all took precious time from your work and schooling be in Salem whenever a call was given. And to John, who I would like to think was persuaded by myself to take on the director in this a very task of legislative important year. You have been an inspiration to us all in making those calls and writing the letters. You have kept the chapter informed on the latest developments and I, for one, now believe that every voice can make a difference. I know that your dedication to the cause has been at a cost, both financially and personally. Whether we are successful this time or not, your efforts have been the best and will be remembered in the fights to come.

The Motorcycle Awareness classes are one of the best programs that has been developed through the state organization in recent years. Its implementation in Lincoln County has been rapid and widespread. A thank you to Lee for making the contacts and getting our program into the schools. A big thank you to Randy and Deb for taking up the cause when Lee's health has restricted her participation at

the present time. Also, to Gary for being a ready instructor and mannequin. The program is new and we have reached a number of students and their teachers. The enthusiasm for more instructors and new segments of the car driving public to make aware, is a continued goal.

Fossil, 1995 - we were there in force and the Lincoln County group was fantastic. I speak from a point of view of some Fossils past, where we have had a few putting on the games and being too exhausted to enjoy the other aspects of the campout. Our group this year included many first timers who had no experience in the procedures of the games. However, to a person, they were willing to help at any task and with a minimum of explanation, helped put on the games and bike show like they had been doing it for years and did this in the heat which was melting us coasties into puddles of our former selves. Everyone, thank you. I had a wonderful time ard enjoyed the new stories and the new audiences for the old stories. It was an illustration of the "brotherhood" at its best.

Lastly, thank you to Gary, and to my other "Gary", Dennis for being understanding and accepting of the fact that I'll always be too intense and a worrier. I know it's hard to cope with sometimes and I ask a lot from both of you because of it. Without your support, I couldn't make it through the year. There are so many to thank. Our success is a group effort and would not he possible without everyone's help and participation. I have told a number of people that the job of coordinator is 90% diplomat. The nature of our Organization brings together a very diverse group of individuals with strong personalities and beliefs. Our strength is in our members and our freedom to believe as we each choose is what we are striving to preserve.

Thank you, Lincoln County! Vicki

Did you know that saying thanks is the most easily done nice thing to say, yet it does the most good when you say it! It is nice to see, people doing the nice things for others again. Thank you one and all! GWH

The AIM. . .ing Point

GUNNY'S COMMENTS...

The month of May has been a busy time. Sam and I have run down to our state capitol more than once in support of several biker bills in our legislature. We have all been working hard in that area, and thanks to everyone that took valuable time out of their schedules to help.

As I write this column I can't tell you we have won the war but by the time you read this the word will be out as to whether we adults in Oregon have our freedom of choice. There are many that believe bikers are unable to make sound decisions because we are of diminished brain capacity. Since our big victory in the Oregon House on repeal of our helmet law, there have been ugly articles and editorials, in the Oregonian newspaper and in other publications, that basically say we are a nuisance and a monetary burden on society. Most of the "journalists" didn't bother to talk to any motorcyclists. Thanks guys.

RUNS...

I went to the big GWRRA swap meet at Junction City early this month and enjoyed it immensely. It was the first opportunity for me to use my new "Backwoods Bungalow" trailer. I've got two rooms and a queen-sized bed all tucked into a trailer that's smaller than the cargo trailer I had, and still has room enough to haul all my AIM supplies. The living is good this year, folks!

Also just returned from the Fossil run and had a great time. The last two miles into the camp area was a real adventure, pulling a trailer with my Goldwing on the washboard and ruts in the dirt road. Several dropped their scooters. The only injuries I heard about happened outside on the blacktop where a couple riding around dusk hit a deer and the passenger was hurt. I'm told she broke her ankle. I managed to navigate the terrain, however, and will be back next year as always looking to see old friends and meet new ones.

NCOM CONFERENCE . . .

Sam and I went to Minneapolis in May the 10th AIM/ NCOM (Aid to Injured for Motorcyclists/National Coalition of Motorcyclists) annual convention. Most of our AIM Attorneys from the US and Canada were there, along with hundreds of biker delegates from all over the world. There is so much information about the motorcycle world presented it almost boggles the mind. We are targeted all over the world, as you have heard me say, and now it's getting worse. Last year I told you there were studies going on in Jolly Olde England to test the feasibility of leg protectors and airbags for motorcycles. Look out! That goofy idea has taken hold here. We learned at the conference that there is a well-financed study going on, as I write, to see about putting leg restraints, airbags and. unbelievably, *seatbelts* on motorcycles! There are people trying their level best to eradicate motorcycles, and they are absolutely serious about it. For the current lowdown on this and all other issues important to bikers, don't miss the chance to go to the conference next year; it will be a bit closer, in Albuquerque, NM.

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SUMMER TIPS . . .

Remember to drink lots of water, nonalcoholic fluids or juice, and stop frequently for short rests during the hot time of day when you ride. Heat exhaustion can kill you just as surely as a head-on. If you are in a helmet state watch out for heat build-up in that bucket. If you're in a free state, remember to keep something on top to shield the pate from the heat. Nothing will get your attention faster than a sunburned dome. Use a good sun screen on all of your exposed areas to keep your skin from drying out and burning. When you ride you need to be thinking about the ride and not your sunburns. A new neckerchief device is on the market that through evaporation helps to keep the neck area cool on hot days. recommend them. Most biker vendors have them reasonably priced and they work great.

NEWSBITS AND PIECES...

The California Highway Patrol is still using gestapo tactics on bikers in helmet stops despite a federal judge's ruling that stopping and ticketing of bikers for "ILLEGAL" or beanie helmets amounts to illegal search and seizure. In a press statement, Maury Hannigan, CHP commissioner, said the CHP was enforcing the will of their legislature, which passed their helmet law.

A study in Michigan says most motorcyclists killed there over the past five years were not properly licensed and had a history of license suspensions. Sounds like a need for education to me. Also emerging from that study was a sharp distinction between the drinking biker and the sober one: Drinkers died in 54% of their accidents while non-drinkers died in only 14%. Seems to me there is a message there.

"Construction Industry" is the name of an arms manufacturer in China that is converting their factory to the manufacture of motorcycles. Kind of like guns into butter or swords into plowshares. I like the idea.

Now imagine an emergency, like a heart attack, or going down; and the EMT arrives... on a bike! They're doing that in Australia, where they finished an 18-month test run, dubbed a "stunning success." The biker EMT's get to the

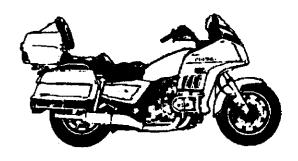
patient in almost half the time, and get to less accessible places, still with the same equipment as an intensive care ambulance! "There's nowhere we can't get in...we just park the bike beside the patient, right next to the check-out stand in a super market if need be," said one of the Aussie EMT's. I wonder if our docs would allow that here in the USA...

Finally, a wildlife biologist was forced to change from a hard hat to a face-shielding motorcycle helmet while banding Perigren Falcon chicks, because he was attacked by the mother bird. Maybe there is a real use for helmets after all.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny

AIM Chief of Staff for Oregon



What to say to someone who wants to drink and drive.

- Don't give me an excuse, e give me your keys.
- Don't sleep at the wheel, sleep on my couch.
- Don't take a chance, take a cab.
- Don't drive, I'll drive you home.

If all else fails, say "no."

If you drink too muck and drive, the least you'll lose is your license. Guaranteed.

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U.S. SENATE VOTES TO REPEAL FEDERAL HELMET LAW Snowe-Campbell Amendment Wins Approval After Vote of 64-36

WASHNGTON, D. C. June 21, 1995, after over eight hours of debate on the Section 153 penalties, the U.S Senate passed the Snowe-Campbell Amendment to the National Highway System Designation Act, S.440. Final approval of Amendment 1442, which repeals the Section 153 penalties on States without helmet laws, was by voice vote. However, there were three roll call votes prior to final passage.

On Tuesday, June 20, Senator Bob Smith (R-NH) offered an amendment to S. 440 which would have repealed the Section 153 penalties for not having both motorcycle helmet and automobile seat belt laws. After more than three hours of debate the Smith Amendment was defeated on a vote of 45 to 52. Shortly after that the Senate adjourned for the evening.

When the senate resumed consideration of S.440 on Wednesday, June 21, Senators Olympia Snowe (R-ME) and Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-CO) offered their amendment to repeal the federal penalties on states without helmet laws. Over the next five hours the debate raged, with Senator John Chafee fighting the repeal. After about three hours of debate, trying to kill the Snowe-Campbell Amendment, Senator Chafee offered a motion to table the amendment. This motion to table the Snowe-Campbell amendment was defeated on a roll call vote of 64 to 36.

With that vote, debate on the Snowe-Campbell amendment continued.

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX) offered an amendment which would have denied Federal funds being used to provide medical care to motorcyclists riding without a helmet if their state did not have a helmet law. After almost two hours of debate the Hutchison Amendment was defeated on a vote of 60 to 39.

Once the Hutchison Amendment was defeated, the Snowe-Campbell Amendment was approved by the U.S Senate on a voice vote. That vote incorporates the repeal of the federal Section 153 penalties on States without helmet laws into the National Highway System Designation Act, S.440.

On Tuesday, June 20th prior to action on the helmet law Issue, the Senate voted on two amendments related to speed limits. The committee had amended S.440 to include a repeal of the federal speed limit mandates. During floor debate of S.440, Senators Lautenberg (D-NJ) and Mike DeWine (R-OH) offered an amendment to reinstate the federal speed limit mandate. The Lautenberg-DeWine amendment was defeated on a vote of 65 to 35. Just before that vote, Senator Reid (D-NV) won approval of his amendment which imposed the current 55mph/65mph speed limit on trucks and buses The Reid amendment was approved on a vote of 51 to 49. The end result of these two amendments is that states would be able to set speed limits for passenger vehicles, but would be required to keep the current limits of 55mph and 65mph on rural interstates for trucks and buses.

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The Motorcycle Riders Foundation, incorporated in 1987, is a membership based national motorcyclists' rights organization headquartered in Washington D. C. The MRF is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations on motorcyclists.

SUNNY-SIDE UP

Hi! As we go through another Birthday for our Country, I was reading about some of our Founding Fathers and their strong beliefs about their faith and this great new land, the United States of America.

September 4, 1774, the Reverend Jacob Duche opened the First Continental Congress with prayer. He read Psalms 35. On July 20, 1775, the Continental Congress went as a body from the State House to attend the services of prayer and fasting set apart by themselves in Christ Church in Philadelphia. George Washington proudly proclaimed his dependence as well as our Nation's dependence upon God. He is reported to have said, impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible." It can be found when reading the inaugural addresses of all our Presidents that there is reference to the Almighty God as author of our liberty, to His providence, without which we would not be blessed. every one of the constitutions of our fifty states, there is an appeal or a prayer to the Almighty God. The great American law maker Daniel Webster spoke profoundly when he said, "I believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God; I believe that there is no other way of salvation than through the merits of His atonement; I believe that the Bible is to be understood and read." Andrew Jackson remarked to a friend, "That Book (the Bible), Sir, is the Rock on which our Republic rests."

Still today there is much evidence of the roots of strong faith and of our Biblical heritage, such as the Washington Monument with a metal cap on top which reads, "Praise be to God". Lining it's walls are many phrases including: "In God we trust; may heaven to this Union continue it's beneficence"; and the Biblical quote, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it". Further, above the Supreme Court are the Ten Commandments, on a medallion the face of Moses hangs over the entrance to the House of Representatives. There is evidence of our Christian heritage riveted throughout the great halls of our Capital.

I believe that if God is the author of our liberty and that freedom's light is indeed "Holy", I sing with pride, "Our Father God, to Thee, Author of Liberty, To Thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's Holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!" Let us heed the words of II Chronicles 7:14, "if my people, who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face, and turn form their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sins and heal their land".

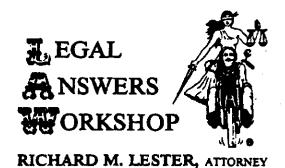
Think about this, the Supreme Court has the Ten Commandments on their wall, yet you cannot thumb tack a copy of them in your child's school. The Bible has been taken out of the classroom, and the Gideon's cannot even give one to your child on school property, even if the child requests it. Instead, they give your child condoms without your permission.

Happy Birthday & God Bless America
Livin' on the "Sonny-side"

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A MOTORCYCLIST GOES DOWN - DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?

There's been a motorcycle accident! What can YOU do?

You can help make the most of the "Golden Hour," the precious time between the accident and the emergency room.

Remain calm and think. Remember your ABC's:

Airway:

Make sure the patient has an open airway.

Breathing:

Look, listen and feel to see if the injured biker is breathing. If not, give 2 slow full breaths

into his or her mouth.

Circulation:

Check for pulse in neck. If no pulse, start CPR.

Assess the situation for safety factors. What is the traffic situation? Is the accident site secure? Is there a hazardous material spill, or gas leaking from the bike? Are power lines down? Is there a fire danger?

Form a safety line around the downed rider. Introduce yourself. Delegate someone to call an ambulance, preferably a woman (in case they need to go knocking on doors for help). Make sure they have as many facts as possible, including the exact location of the accident, how many people are injured and how seriously. The person calling the ambulance should hang up last.

Do not move the patient. Do not remove the helmet, improperly removing the helmet can cause spinal chord injury, paralysis or even death (you can get a free helmet sticker that says: "WARNING - Do Not Remove Helmet Until I Am Examined By A Doctor" by calling Aid to injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) at 800/ON-A-BIKE). If necessary, it is possible to give CPR without removing the helmet, even if it is a full face helmet (A.I.M. also has a free "Survival Card" that instructs how to properly remove a helmet from an accident victim if it is absolutely necessary).

Turn off the key to the motorcycle and shut off the gas.

Keep the patient talking. Ask questions; who are you, where are you, what day is it? Have someone write down all the details; vital signs, pulse, breathing. When the ambulance arrives, give them the notes and an honest evaluation of the patient's condition, including drug or alcohol consumption. Ask emergency personnel what you can do for them.

Talk with police when they arrive. Make their job easier by cooperating. Even after police and emergency personel have secured the site, you can continue to help the downed motorcyclist by photographing the accident scene, jotting down notes about the accident while they're still fresh in your mind, and make sure police get the names and addresses of all witnesses for the police report.

We have to take care of each other out there. Take a CPR course or, even better, a First-Aid class. Be prepared to take charge if someone goes down. It's better to know what to do and never have to use it than to waste your fellow rider's Golden Hour because you think that accidents only happen to other people.

(Dick "Slider" Gilmore, an Emergency Medical Technicien/EMT-1, instructs a 3-hour "Accident Scene Management" program designed to educate motorcyclists regarding the initial assessment, treatment and stabilization of an accident trauma victim. For information, call A.I.M. at 800/ON-A-BIKE. Thanks to the Minnesota Motorcycle Riders Association for information used in this article.)

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June 13, 1995

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Dear Mr. Hendricks:

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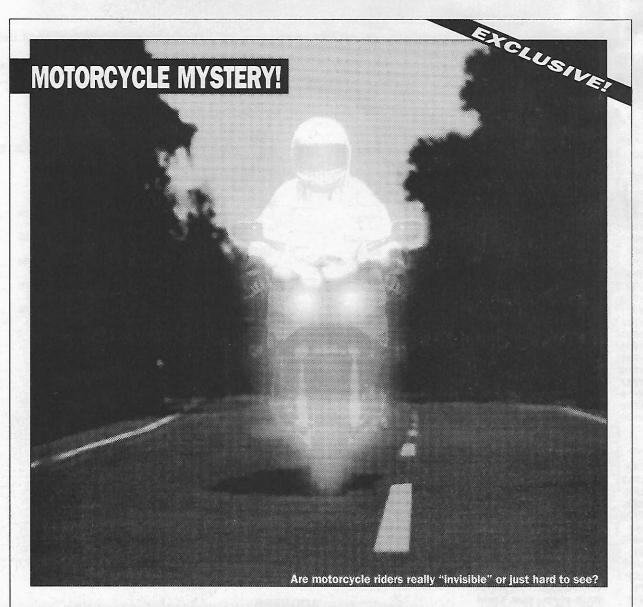
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"INVISIBLE RIDER" SEEN BY DRIVER!

Shocked driver states: "When I first looked in the rear-view mirror, I didn't see anything. But I checked again, and there he was!"

An alert Oregon driver avoided a serious accident when he double-checked before changing lanes and spotted a motorcyclist who, moments before, had been "invisible."

"I glanced in the side mirror and it looked all clear," explained

34-year-old Tom Young. "But I had a funny feeling, so I gave a quick look over my shoulder and there was this guy on a motorcycle, right there!

"I don't know how I could have missed him in the first place," Tom told reporters. "He had his lights on, his helmet on. He was just invisible before!"

Traffic Safety experts disagree, saying that motorcycles aren't invisible; they're just hard to see. They cite scientific evidence demonstrating that the average motorcycle is much smaller than the average car.

"1200 cc's might be a lot of power," cautioned Dr. James Biker, "but even a little compact car can send a motorcycle flying."

A relieved Tom Young seemed glad that didn't happen: "From now on, I'm always going to check twice for bikes."



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Fossil 1995

Every year we have raffle to raise money for the EMT in Fossil, a volunteer service. This year "Spike" and helpers, Jan & Stacey raised \$472.00. The lucky winner this year was Howard Butts from Blue Mountain chapter of ABATE of Oregon. Look at the picture below and see how well the jacket fit.....Lucky for Howard, Jim of Columbia Motorcycle, Vancouver, Washington makes it possible to get the corrected size, he donated the jacket....THANKS JIM.....So much for the debonair look!!!

Also in another picture you will see "Spike" in the middle of Rotten Roger handing over the check to the "glad to accept this money" for the Fossil Volunteer Ambulance, Keith!

Thanks to all who participated and good luck in 1996!!!

The other photo shows Glen and Gayle Loiza, with Debbie May and "Unknown" (to me) person manning the "gas station", serving beans for donations to the canned food drive!



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AMA vs. RUGER: ROUND ONE

Reprinted from American Motorcyclist July 1995
"I think we have their attention now."

That's how Robert Rasor, AMA vice president of government relations, summed up our first face-to-face encounter with Sturm, Ruger and Company.

Ruger, you may remember, is the manufacturer that began discriminating against its motorcycling employees last year with regard to their health-care No employee would be benefits. covered for injuries resulting from a motorcycle accident, the company decreed, unless the employee was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. This, in spite of the fact the New Hampshire and Connecticut, the two states where Ruger is based, don't have helmet laws covering adult motorcyclists.

For months, we've been trying to tell Ruger that its policy is unfair. We've written stories noting that no similar restrictions of coverage are imposed on cardriving Ruger employees who choose not to wear seat belts, or even on those who engage in illegal behavior like drinking and driving. Only motorcyclists have been singled out. And we've tried to convince the company that this policy amounts to unfair meddling in these employees' personal lives.

Many of you have underlined that point in letters to Ruger, pledging not to buy and Ruger guns until this discriminations is ended. Those letters have noted that as a gun manufacturer, Ruger of all companies should understand the importance of personal decisions in recreational activities.

In late April, this dialogue entered a new phase at the company's annual stockholders meeting. But first, there were a few hurdled to overcome.

Several months ago, we told you about a campaign called "Riding Ruger", developed by a group of activist motorcyclists that included

AMA Trustee Rick Gray. The notion was to buy stock in Ruger, which is a publicly traded corporation, and then present our concerns at the annual meeting. For motorcyclist who couldn't attend the meeting, the Riding Ruger activist recommended signing over a voting proxy to another motorcyclist who would be there.

In the process of publicizing this campaign, we published the date and location for the stockholders meeting—at least, the date and location we'd been given by Ruger. But days after we informed our readers about the meeting, Ruger moved it for Arizona the Connecticut and pushed the date up by three weeks.

We can't be sure what prompted that. Perhaps we already had their attention.

Then came a call for the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). It seems that someone at Ruger notified officials at the federal agency about the Riding Ruger campaign and told them we were violating government regulations by seeding proxies from motorcyclists.

Several phone calls involving Rasor, the Association's attorneys and SEC officials made it clear that we weren't planning a hostile takeover of the firm; just trying to register our opposition to a company policy. The SEC eventually told us to go right ahead and do that, but to register with them if we wanted to solicit proxies from our members.

No doubt about it, we had Ruger's attention.

In the midst of that, the AMA's attorneys contacted Ruger's corporate counsel, asking for a few minutes during the meeting to present our concerns. That request was denied. It was, we were told, and inappropriate matter to bring before stockholders.

We didn't agree, so on April 25, the day of the meeting, Rasor and Gray were in Westport, Connecticut, wearing "Riding Ruger" pins lapels in their distributing copies of an AMA position paper to their fellow

stockholders. Other motorcyclists were on hand, too, several of them displaying the invitations that identified them as Ruger stockholders. Others, including a contingent form the Connecticut Motorcycle Riders Association. waited outside the building to show their support.

The entrance to the banquet room where the meeting was scheduled to be held was manned by plainclothes security guards. One long time Ruger stockholder told us he'd never seen security personnel at any previous stockholders meeting.

Rasor and Gray made their way past the guards and into the meeting room. They introduced themselves to Stephen Sanetti, vice president and general counsel for Ruger, and presented him with petitions signed by Ruger shareholders protesting the company's policy. After discussing the issue briefly, Sanetti assured Rasor that company President William Ruger Jr. would be willing to meet with AMA representatives at a future date to take a second look at the situation.

The meeting came to order and first business was the election on the board of directors. When the meeting secretary asked if anyone in attendance preferred a secret ballot, one motorcyclist, Thomas Christofes, raised his hand. The meeting was halted while secretary delivered that ballot. One Ruger shareholder who said he has attended every meeting for the past 15 years leaned over the AMA delegation and said, "That's the first time I've ever seen anybody ask for one of those."

Next, there was a vote to approve the company's auditing firm. Again, Christofes raised his hand for a written ballot.

"And that's the second time," said the stockholder.

Eventually, with the days's business complete--at least from the standpoint of company officials--the meeting was adjourned. We had been blocked form making an official presentation, but every stockholder

in attendance knew why we were there.

"Our presence at this year's meeting was kept deliberately low-profile," said Rasor. "We are looking forward to direct meeting with Mr. Ruger in hopes that he will reconsider this discriminatory policy. If not, we'll be back again next year.

"Ruger has only stockholders of record, " Rasor "we can confirm added. that already motorcyclists represent approximately 10 percent of those shareholders. If Ruger is unwilling to reconsider this policy, we will next year's meeting concerned motorcyclists who will want to know why their company has been so unresponsive. We are serious about changing Ruger's policy, and we are in this the long

Round one in that effort is complete.

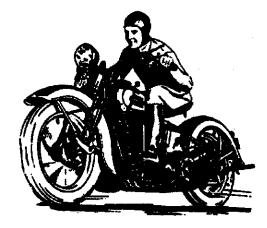
We have their attention.

200-MPH HARLEY!

Reprinted from American Motorcyclist July 1995

Maryland drag racer Andy Gotsis claimed a spot in drag-racing history May 6 by hitting a top speed of 200 mph in the quarter-mile on his Harley-Davidson machine. That makes his the first Harley ever to break the 200-mph barrier.

Gotsis made his unprecedented pass in Funny bike-class qualifying for the AMA/Prostar Featherlite Trailers Dixie Nationals in Richmond, Virginia. He stopped the Prostar timing clocks at 7.106 seconds with a top speed of 200.31 mph.



ACTIVISTREVIEW

This Month: Dollars for trails, helmet repeal successes and failures, speed limit increases and more.

May 24, 1995

Congressional subcommittee approves trail funding

A U.S. Senate subcommittee has unanimously approved an amendment to restore funding to the National Recreational Trails Trust Fund, reports the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA).

The vote came during the markup of the National Highway System bill before the Senate Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee. The amendment was offered by Sen. Dirk Kempthorne (R-Idaho) and would ensure funding for the trails program through fiscal year 1997.

"This is a significant investment that will go a long way toward building and maintaining new and existing hiking trails, snowmobile trails, equestrian trails and other numerous off-road recreational opportunities," said Kempthome. He praised former Idaho Sen. Steve Symms as a "visionary" for his leadership in creating the trails trust fund, which also helps build and maintain off-highway motorcycle trails.

The National Recreational Trails Trust Fund was established in 1991 to allocate a portion of off-highway vehicle fuel taxes to the states for the development and maintenance of the nation's trail system. So far, the fund has received just \$7.5 million of the \$120 million it was slated to get over the past four years, with the balance diverted into the federal government's massive highway fund.

The Kempthorne amendment is designed to rectify this fiscal shortfall and return a portion of the taxes paid by off-highway enthusiasts to the states for trail programs. The amendment would allocate up to \$15 million in trail funds

during fiscal year 1996, which begins this fall, and another \$15 million in fiscal 1997. The money would be available to states in 50-50 matching fund grants for trail programs.

The next stop for the National Highway System bill will be the full Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. It would then have to pass the full Senate and the House before it could become law.

"The Kempthorne amendment is a big step toward funding the trails act as Congress intended," noted Robert Dingman, AMA Washington representative. "The Blue Ribbon Coalition, the Coalition for Recreational Trails and all the AMA members who have taken time to contact their congressmen on this issue deserve a pat on the back, I hope trails

enthusiasts will contact their senators and representatives in Washington, urging them to retain the Kempthorne amendment to the National Highway System legislation."

Oregon helmet repeal passes House

The Oregon House of Representatives has approved legislation that would allow motorcyclists over 18 years of age to decide when to wear a safety helmet. Currently, Oregon requires all motorcyclists to wear helmets when riding.

The bill, HB3419, passed by an overwhelming 52-7 margin and now

moves on to the Senate Committee on Rules and Elections for consideration.

BikePAC of Oregon had published a comprehensive guide to many of the issues surrounding the helmet-law debate. The guide, entitled "Oregon Motorcycling Issues—a guide for the non-rider," was used to present BikePAC's arguments in favor of the repeal bill to the state Legislature. The AMA also conducted a member alert mailing to gather

support for the repeal effort

With attention now focused on the Senate. motorcyclists Oregon who believe that adult riders should be able to evaluate personal safety issues for themselves should write to their state senators and ask for their support of HB3419. Letters can be sent to the Senate Rules and Elections Committee, State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310. Motorcyclist activists can keep track of

the bill's progress by calling the state's legislative information service at (800) 332-2313.



Buying Influence

Influence is the buzzword you hear in Washington, D.C., to describe the political equivalent of horsepower.

But Influence is also the name of a new software package that can help your group's grass-roots political efforts. This DOS-based program contains profiles of more than 600 government officials, including every member of Congress. Each profile lists the official's name, party affiliation, Washington and local addresses, as well as phone and fax numbers. The program will track voting records and committee assignments, and

can serve as a mail-merge utility and label-maker for congressional mailings.

Influence normally sells for \$49.95, but the manufacturer has agreed to offer the software to AMA members for the discounted price of \$16.95, including shipping and handling. You can order your copy by calling (800) 532-8788.

Helmet law repeal defeated

While the helmet-law repeal effort is making progress in Oregon, it seems to have stalled in California. A bill that would have repealed that state's mandatory helmet law for adult motorcyclists has died in the California Assembly's Transportation Committee.

The final vote to defeat the measure went strictly along party lines, with seven Republicans voting to send the measure to the full Assembly and eight Democrats voting in opposition. Nine votes were required to advance the bill out of committee.

The first vote on the bill occurred on April 3, at which time the committee was deadlocked 7-7. Assemblyman Bill Morrow (R-Oceanside), the bill's sponsor, then asked for reconsideration of the measure on April 17.

In the interim, strong opinions were

voiced by a variety of organizations on both sides of the issue. Interestingly, one of the most vocal groups lobbying in opposition to the bill was the California Highway Patrol (CHP), an organization that is charged

with enforcing legislation, not trying to influence it.

Following the committee's first deadlocked vote on the bill, the CHP sent out a fax to all its district offices noting: "Although we have not seen the last of this issue, today is to be considered a victory. Many thanks and congratulations to all whose efforts made a difference today. All commanders are urged to continue meeting with their key contacts and recommending opposition

to this piece of legislation."

Much of the discussion in the committee and in media coverage of the issue focused on a study done by researcher Jess Kraus, known to motor-

cyclists as the author of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's study in the 1980s attempting to show that sportbikes should be banned as unsafe vehicles. Kraus' recent work examined the impact of the California helmet law, and said that it had been responsible for a significant reduction.

nificant reduction in injuries and fatalities among the state's motorcyclists.

Critics of the Kraus study pointed out that the reductions in those categories were matched by a similar decrease in overall motorcycle accident rates. They noted that wearing a helmet was unlikely to help a rider avoid an accident entirely, and attributed the injury and fatality reductions to lower ridership, rather than the effectiveness of the helmet law.

Kraus had an answer for that argument, though. At a health conference in

Atlanta, he noted that the number of riders reported in the study's roadside observations did seem to decrease. But that was just another measure of the law's effectiveness, he said.

"If the helmet law has discouraged some people from riding motorcycles, that's fine too," Kraus told

the conference.

Analysts for the California Legislature also found shortcomings in the results of the Kraus study.

"Conclusions about the effectiveness of the helmet law," they noted, "are limited by the quality of available data and by the relatively short period in which the law has been in effect."

While the results are open to interpretation, the Kraus study did reveal one fact quite clearly: The federal government is willing to use its considerable financial clout in favor of mandatory helmet laws. The study was funded by an \$830,000 grant from the National

Highway Traffic Safety Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Transportation. That's more than three-quarters of a million dollars in taxpayer money spent to support California's helmet law, a level of spending helmet-law opponents can't hope to match.

"We have worked, and will continue to work, with ABATE of California to receive a fair hearing on this issue in Sacramento," said

Robert Rasor, vice president of AMA government relations, "We will be back next legislative session."



The Maryland General Assembly has approved legislation that authorizes the State Highway Administration to increase speed limits to 65 miles per hour on much of the state's rural interstate highway system. If signed by the governor, the legislation will take effect July I and will increase speed limits on approximately 270 miles of interstate highway.

Past measures to raise the state's maximum speed limit had been approved in the state Legislature, but former Gov. William Donald Schaefer vetoed them. Maryland's new governor, Parris Glendening, pledged support for raising state speed limits in his inaugural address, thus presenting an opportunity to proponents of the 65-mph limit.

Leading the effort to pass the bill was the National Motorists Association (NMA), an organization with a long history of lobbying for speed limit increases on the nation's highways. NMA representatives are scheduled to meet with state officials to provide input for implementing the new law.

For more information, contact the AMA's Government Relations Department at (614) 891-2425.





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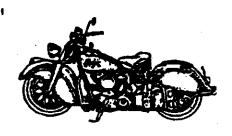
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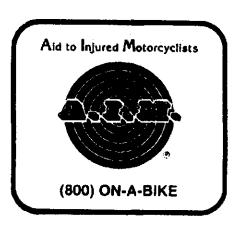
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UNITY ABOUNDS AT NCOM CONVENTION

NCOM, June 1,1995 — Was that a politician over there talking with a patch holder? I swear I saw a lawyer exchanging legal briefs with someone from the motorcycle industry.

And motorcycle rights leaders from 42 states came to mingle and network with each other, as well as their European counterparts, club members, industry experts, legal eagles and more.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) was there. So was the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA). And even the Federation of European Motorcyclists (FEM) was represented.

When was the last time you saw members of diverse groups sharing a breward talking about unity? You saw it May 11-13 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, if you were one of more than 350 attendees at the 10th Annual National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) Convention, co-hosted by ABATE of Minnesota and the Minnesota Motorcycle Riders Association (MMRA).

Perhaps it was the shot-in-the-arm that the motorcyclist rights movement has needed. At the very least, it was a step in the right direction. Never before have all three national groups; NCOM, MRF and AMA, shared the same podium. Never before had so many patch holders from so many diverse regions of the U.S. met to discuss cooperating with each other. Never before has the industry considered working with rights groups.

It was awesome. It was inspiring. You had to be there to appreciate the advancements our movement made that Mothers Day weekend in Minnesota.

NCOM celebrated "A Decade Of Working Toward Our Future" at the 10th Annual Convention by giving us a glimpse of our future; one of increased unity and cooperation between many factions of the motorcycling community. But also one where a unified front will be necessary to protect the future of motorcycling as we know it.

Amongst all the camaraderie there was serious business to discuss. Federal helmet mandates, insurance industry assaults, medical studies calling for leg protectors and airbags, and a future transportation system which could leave motorcycles dead on the road, dominated the weekend's agenda.

Meetings and seminars filled the schedule, and included an NCOM Board of Advisors meeting, a Legislative Task Force meeting, the Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) attorneys conference, a Confederation of Clubs meeting, and workshops on discrimination, legislation, computers and public relations.

Saturday's activities were highlighted by a lively panel discussion, "Motorcycling Into The 21st Century," featuring Wayne Curtin of the MRF, Rob Rasor of AMA, Simon Milward representing FEM, Bob Jackson of Motorcycle Product News, Wisconsin Senator Dave Zien and South Dakota Representative Jim Putnam. Moderator for the "Dream Team" panel was Bob Illingworth, NCOM Federal Legislative Liaison and lobbyist for MMRA and ABATE of Minnesota.

The Silver Spoke Awards Banquet was a festive cap to a working weekend and honored some of motorcycling's brightest stars. Silver Spoke recipients were: United States Senator Olympia Snowe (Government), Lorenzo Lamas (Entertainment), Jaz McKay (Media), Canadian A.I.M. attorney Jim McNeney (Fred Hill International Award) and New Hampshire Representative Sherman Packard (Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award).

Special Commendation Awards were presented to ABATE of Utah for their tireless defense of bikers' rights, A.I.M. attorney Marty Fox for his legal work in helping to get Washington state's helmet law declared unconstitutional, A.I.M. attorney Ralph Buss for his efforts against biker discrimination, Representative Putnam for introducing a biker anti-discrimination bill in South Dakota, Simon Milward for his work in Europe with FEM and the International Coalition of Motorcyclists (ICOM), Wayne Curtin with MRF for defending biker's rights in our nation's capital, and to Pepper Massey-Swan for ten years of dedicated service to A.I.M. and NCOM.

Next year's NCOM Convention will be hosted by ABATE of New Mexico over Mothers Day weekend, May 9-11, in Albuquerque. Start making plans to attend now.



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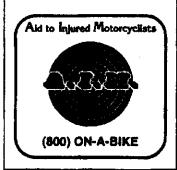
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FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ALERT

The U.S. Senate and House of Representatives are both expected to complete their respective National Highway System (NHS) proposals during June, legislation which is required by ISTEA to pass by September 30 or every state will lose millions in forfeited federal highway funds. Attempts will be made to include in either or both bills a repeal of the ISTEA penalties against states without helmet laws. Please contact your U.S. Senators and Representatives *immediately* and request they support such an amendment to the NHS bill. There are currently 177 cosponsors signed on to H.R. 899 and 32 cosponsors to S. 388, the House and Senate companion bills to repeal the Section 153 ISTEA penalty provisions. Keep up to date on our efforts to repeal the federal helmet mandates by calling the NCOM Federal Legislative Hotline at 1-(800) 300-NCOM.

FEDERAL JUDGE ENJOINS CHP FROM WRITING "BEANIE" HELMET TICKETS

U.S. District Judge Napoleon A. Jones Jr. ruled on May 22 that the California Highway Patrol's interpretation and enforcement of the state's motorcycle helmet law is unconstitutional, and has issued an injunction ordering the CHP to stop ticketing bikers wearing so-called "unapproved" helmets. The ruling stems from a lawsuit filed by L. Louis "Skip" Raring, "Easyriders v. Hannigan," in which he claims 99 percent of helmet tickets issued by the CHP were given to bikers wearing helmets, they just weren't the kind officers liked. The CHP has issued 13,000 tickets since the helmet law went into effect in 1992. In a brief filed before the ruling, California Attorney General Dan Lungren warned that if the judge sided with the bikers, it would make the helmet law "virtually unenforceable."

I CAN'T DRIVE 55

If you have trouble obeying the double-nickel, which about 100 million American drivers do, then ask your U.S. Senators and Representatives to support the following three bills to repeal the National Maximum Speed Limit: H.R. 427 (repeals NMSL) by Rep. Larry Combest (R-TX), H.R. 607 (repeals four federal mandates including NMSL and helmet law mandate) by Rep. Scott Klug (R-WI), and S. 476 (repeals NMSL) by Senators Don Nickles (R-OK) and Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-CO).

SPARTANBURG UPDATE

Chief W. C. Bain Jr., who ordered the harassment of 550 South Carolina motorcyclists attending a Red Cross charity fundraiser, announced his early retirement, citing in part the fiasco in Spartanburg. In related news, the state's law enforcement division (SLED) has agreed to testify against several other law enforcement agencies involved to avoid being sued. The ACLU, with assistance from ABATE of South Carolina, Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) and the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), has filed a class action lawsuit as well as an injunction against similar actions in the future.

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Mark Buckner, President - PO Box 149 - Firestone, CO 80520-0149 - (303) 833-3195

June 14, 1995

Roger Hendricks ABATE of Oregon P.O. Box 4504 Portland, OR 97208

Roger,

On behalf of the officers and members of the Motorcycles Riders Foundation, I'd like to offer my sincere thanks to ABATE of Oregon for both your recent and ongoing efforts to support the MRF.

As you know, the MRF has gone all out this year to repeal the helmet law provisions included in ISTEA. We've hired an additional lobbyist, tripled the number of SMRO district, chapter and local organizations who receive our mailings, and increased our phone contact with SMROs and national motorcyclists' rights organizations dramatically. We've seen more biker's rights activists come to Washington, DC this year than ever before, and the vast majority of those people have been assisted by the MRF. All of these activities are paying off, as we get closer each day to repeal.

However, these activities also cost money. While the MRF's expenditures for 1995 are consistent with our projections, the income needed to support these activities has been less than expected. ABATE of Oregon's recent \$1,000.00 contribution will help the MRF to keep moving forward at this critical time.

Again, please accept our sincere thanks. With friends like ABATE of Oregon, the MRF - and therefore each of us in the motorcyclists' rights movement - can't help but win this battle.

Yours in Freedom,

Mark Buckner

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President, Motorcycle Riders Foundation

P.S. I was sorry to hear that the repeal efforts in Oregon fell a little short this year, but I'm sure you folks will be loaded for bear in '98.



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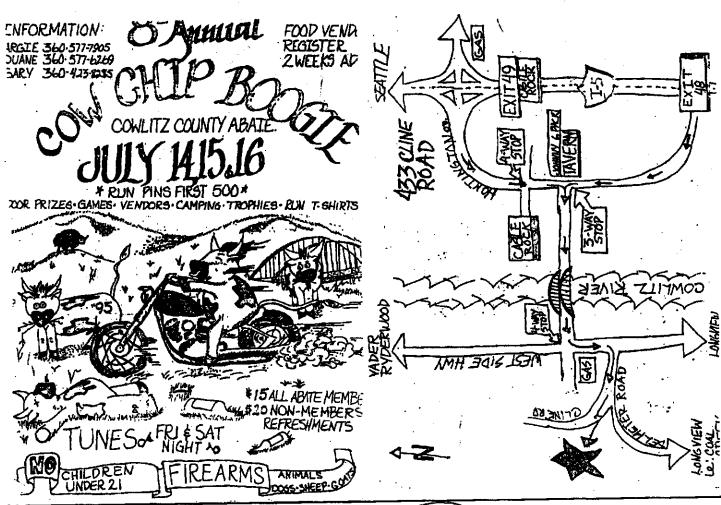
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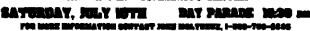
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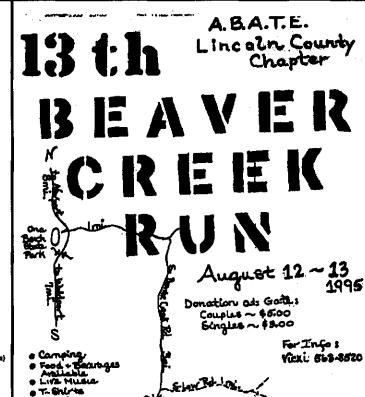
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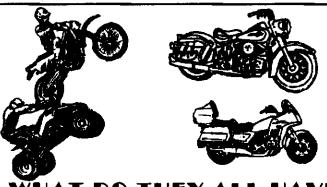
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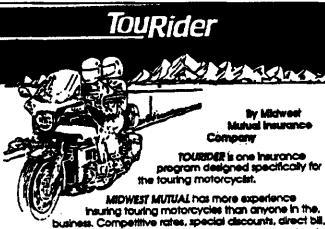
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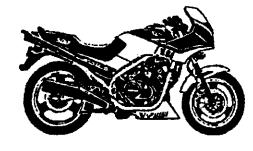
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Members are urged to Donate ONE or MORE used Motorcycle Parts to be sold at the upcoming Swap Meet.

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ABATE members

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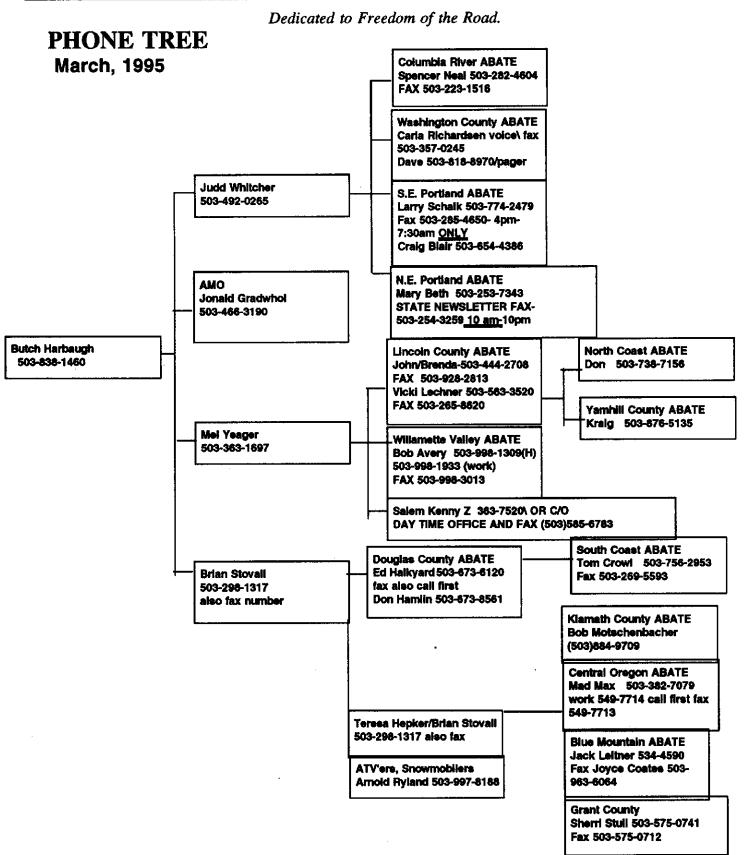






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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR FROM THE PEOPLE OF ABATE OF OREGON, INC

"Spike" Says

Let me report some legal actions that I am involved in that should be of great interest to bikers.

A biker was stopped by two male Portland police officers on May 16, 1993; they cited him for wearing an "illegal helmet" and failing to signal. He had been stopped and ticketed by the same two police officers on other occasions without any problem.

While he waited for one of them to run his operator's license and write up the tickets, the other stood beside him as he waited quietly. A female police officer pulled up and demanded that he be pat searched for weapons. When the biker objected and pointed out that the male officers had chosen not to search him, she told him to shut up. When it became apparent that the was going to be searched and by her, he asked that one of the two male officers search him. She refused and then conducted a rather rough and intimate search of his person finding nothing.

He has filed a lawsuit in district court federal seeking damages; he alleges the violation of his fourth amendment right not to be subjected to an unreasonable search. The search was unreasonable because (1) the officer lacked reasonable suspicion to believe that he was armed and dangerous and (2) a female searched him officer over objection. Had it been a female biker objecting to a male cop pat searching her, the problem would be obvious to everyone. I think that it should be just as obvious in this

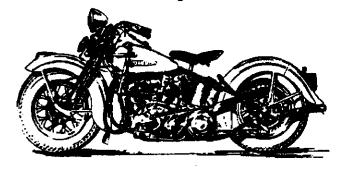
I am investigating the legal claims for those bikers who were stopped and searched for weapons during the Southeast Chapter's poker run in early March. The police officers again lacked any reasonable suspicion that anyone was both armed

and dangerous. In one case the basis for the search was the fact that the biker had a concealed handgun permit. That he had the permit did not mean that he was presently armed and it certainly did not mean that the posed a danger to the cops. I see this kind of search when the police find out about a concealed weapon permit fairly often; it is also, in my opinion, unlawful. Anyone with information about the poker run incident should contact me.

I am also representing members of two motorcycle clubs. In one case my client had been subjected to harassment by police agencies on both sides of the Columbia River over the past two or three months. In the latest incident he stopped and then unlawfully searched and his helmet was seized. other case my client was denied renewal of his concealed handgun permit by the Marion County Sheriff's Office because of his membership in the club. preparing a lawsuit to challenge, on amendment grounds, that denial. Under the United States Constitution, mere association in a motorcycle \mathtt{club} is activity which the government cannot penalize.

We cannot allow our constitutional rights to be violated without responding with appropriate legal action.

"SPIKE"
Spencer M. Neal
Columbia River Chapter



Melinda Says

Oregon bikers were successful this year because:

- * HB3422 passed unanimously and addressed both discrimination and harassment issues. The level of awareness about who we are as individuals increased a hundred fold.
- * HB3419 passed the house with a 52 to 7 vote on a minority report endorsed by the carrier of the majority report!
- * There's not a legislator in the state who doesn't know what our issues are. This is an excellent building foundation for all of our future endeavors.
- * Bikers are respected by most of the legislators and their staff people. I believe change happened when they realized that this law affected them personally.
- * We intimately know "how a bill REALLY becomes law". The political system now works for us because we are working through the system (pain that it is).

The lessons learned are invaluable, for instance:

- * No means, I haven't read the information you sent me yet, or I need to talk to a constituent.
- * It takes money to run an adequate campaign. The major fundraising efforts of all the affiliated BikePAC organizations made it possible to hand out volumes of excellent materials and zillions of long distance phone calls.
- * It takes having a paid lobbyist in Salem to be able to deal with the wild fire movement of political issues. There is no doubt in my mind that this made a huge difference this legislative year.
- * By using communications technology... fax, e-mail, phones... we were able to deal with critical organizational information in a time appropriate manner. If we are able to build on this network, our work throughout the year when we aren't living at the capitol and don't see each other as often, will improve.
- * The NCOM Conference seemed to light a fire under all who went and

- it happened at an excellent time. We do need to continue our outside networking efforts. Great ideas came back and a renewed spirit too. What needs to happen to get ready for 1997:
- * Continued fundraising
- * Continued contact with our legislators (national too)
- * Active political campaigning for (or against, if necessary) candidates.
- * Indeed we need more statistics. I have a faculty contact at Portland State University and their statistic students may be able to help us, or we should think of other resources. I think our numbers do need to be specific to this state and we need more of them. Social burden would be a great work study project.
- * We need to contact "Physicians for Social Responsibility" and see if they can understand the civil liberty issues involved. This organization has a great deal of clout and has always been on the leading edge of freedom to choice stands in the ever conservative community. medical Even Hamby wouldn't be able to look the other way at an endorsement like this. I thought the informal stats you provided on local hospitals was very interesting. If we all did a little we would have a study, ready to go. * We must continue to talk to our neighbors, families. our co-workers and local business leaders about these issues.

Why was BikePAC successful?

- * BikePAC is about empowerment. Empowerment feels great. We were able to be told (some of you already knew) what to do and then just go do it.
- * BikePAC trusted a very diverse group of people to represent the organization publicly. This is a scary thing. It worked in our favor. Personalities did not cause difficulties.
- * BikePAC provided excellent support materials in a speedy manner. If an issue took off, we had materials to combat it within days.
- * Everyone involved extended an incredible level of commitment to

follow things through to the very end. This was most visible as we waited in the House Gallery for the HB3419 vote. Bikers came and went as their schedules let them but we maintained a high public profile throughout.

The phone tree works great. However, after doing the phone tree only once, I believe that it needs to be broken into two lists. The A list, if you will, are people who want to be notified of everything. The B list are the sidelines folks iust want to get who newsletters or go to Fossil and are not going to make calls or write letters. We have to acknowledge that these folks are important too. (I was one for awhile.) I was met over the phone by hostile members, wives and roommates who just didn't want any more calls.

In closing, I think BikePAC is the best thing that has happened since I've been away from the biker community. You are incredible and inspiring people.

I really do look forward to seeing you all again and having the privilege of working with you again real soon.

MELINDA "MY RIDE

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DB - Lincoln County ABATE I've bought my own motorcycle, and have ridden 17,000 miles in about a year and a half. (My Ride article - June 95). The roads that have traveled have given me extremely varied skills experience on gravel, mud, asphalt, dirt and off road type handling abilities. have also I fortunate to have had one-on-one riding lessons... so to speak from my husband who's owned and ridden a vast number of different motorcycles... truly competent to be a Team Oregon Riding Instructor. This has all lead me to believe from the comments from other riders that I've... become "quite a good rider". My ABATE Chapter has been very busy these last two years teaching the Motorcycle Awareness Classes at our local Secondary schools and I've learned through being active in this project the importance of knowing how motorcycles move down the road "safely" and the need to be aware of changing road conditions.. (traffic, weather, condition of the road etc.) What I didn't know, nor did ANYONE tell me about, was the unwritten norms of riding in a pack. I have ridden in small groups for short distances such as local campouts, or from the coast to the Willamette Valley but the Fossil Run was the first opportunity to ride with a dozen or more bikes.

Riding in a pack brings in a lot to variables that can lead you directly in to danger. PLEASE NOTE;
Do the bikes in the pack have the same horse power?

Do the riders have the same riding skills?

Passing other vehicles one/ or the group at once? Are you to Move to the right track of the road.

Are the bikes mechanically road worthy?

Will they be considering stops
for gas(tank limits quantity)?
 Is everyone rested? / drugs,

or alcohol involved? (Cont. next page)

Will they be making other unrelated stops?

Will they be traveling with a run truck? With trailer/tools?

Is there a "Leader of the Pack"? Setting pace/check points?

Are hand signals being used/does everyone know them?

I have asked myself.. on this post Fossil morning these questions in hopes of understanding why I was so unprepared.

In the last three years I've seen many ladies on the roads and am so pleased to see that ladies are very interested in getting their own motorbikes, feeling the "wind in their faces". Most of the men I've been around are very supportive of us ladies getting on the road, and we all seem to agree that having women riders most certainly helps to change the false perception that "bikers" are a bad scare on the face of society.

My first hand experiences in the Fred Meyer Parking Lot, packing groceries in my saddle bags on a sunny day and having those upper middle class folks stop to chat with me, and me explaining with a smile that my husband loves it when I grocery shop on my bike cuz he knows it won't cost him so much has resulted in them laughing and walking away with a much different attitude toward the next person they see in black leather.

(Thursday, May 25th) We gassed up in Sweet Home and headed over the There had been some joking about "high balling it" over the pass. We do love to challenge the road a bit ... It wasn't long before I had a rude awakening... My bike wasn't capable of passing at that speed uphill, and loaded as the Harley riders in my pack. Red lined in oncoming traffic with another pack rider behind me... well, we made it around the pick-up camper OK... but I'm still wondering if they braked to let us in... At the Mountain House I told my ... ABATE brothers I had found the limits of my bike and how scary passing like that was. Homebound... I had three other very close calls in heavy

holiday traffic... which I was unprepared for.. I then parked it and walked away for a few. Gather myself together, stopped shaking and continued on... safely and slowly...

I began to think about passing in a group... I had learned only recently that if you are passing, you are to move to the right immediately giving the rider behind you all the space they needed to clear the passed vehicle.

Hand signals had just been introduced to me and it seemed like some riders use them and some don't. It never occurred to me that different bikes, loaded differently had distinctly different capabilities. Wow! a whole new world of riding. (and I thought I had learned it all!) ha

Remember, the guys may like the idea of you riding... but they aren't used to having you in the pack. All this may be new to them also. I came to a simple but very important theory... You are ALONE on your motorcycle... NO ONE else can be responsible for you and when riding in a pack I encourage all novice riders to consider some/all of the previous questions I've listed above... you'll miss some of the bumps along the road of... learning to ride.



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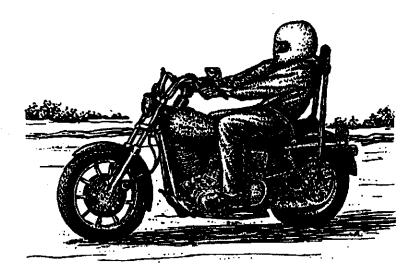
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From Mel Yeager;

To thr right is part of an article out of the latest "Safe Cycling". ABATE of Oregon, Inc. is one of the MC organizations that is recognized for their efforts in providing some kind of Motorcycle Awareness program to the public. It may interest members to know that their money and support has not been in vain.

Sharon's health continues to deteriorate to the point that she is presently on full-time oxygen and must get around in a wheelchair when she leaves the house. Sharon's medical needs are being met finacially by the insurance company in full.

I am grateful that I picked the right one to take care of our medical needs. We both live one day at a time and enjoy each other as much as we can. We send love and best wishes to all our brothers and sisters in ABATE.

Ride free and safe, Mel and Sharon Yeager Members at large ...Many programs are based on the MSF's Cars, Motorcycles & Common Road videotape. And one of the most popular places to getthe message out appears to be in high school driver-education classes.

Mel Yeager and Nic Oliver of ABATE of Oregon put together such a program about two years ago. They ordered 30 copies of A Common Roadand set out to train members of other motorcyclists organizations and ABATE chapters in Oregon.

"It's easy to put on and get the message across," says Nic, who is the Education Director for ABATE of Oregon.

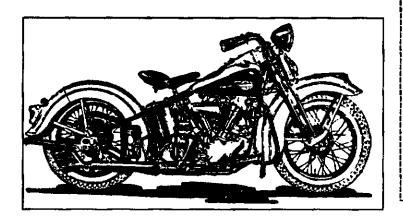
The program has grown to where Nic conducts two seminars each year for other volunteers who want to go out and teach the program. Nic figures that he's presented it to more than 2,000 people....

The article goes on about other peoples efforts in other states...
Thanks Mel for pointing this out..FYI!

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2nd & 4th SUNDAYS	GRANT COUNTY COLUMBIA RIVER SALEM	11:00 am, Canyon City Cafe, Hwy 395 S. Canyon City 12:30 pm, Alibi 4024 N. Interstaste, Portland 1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1st MONDAY	KLAMATH COUNTY	7:30 pm, Linkville Station 1330 Oregon Ave. K Falls
2nd &4th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	8:00 pm, Pizza Hut,3190 N.W. 185th, Portland
1st &3nd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 pm, The Pizza Harbor, Seaside
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3rd WEDNESDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	7:00 pm, The American Legion Hall, 8th St., Redmond
1st & 3rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 pm, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
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